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SUBJ: SPINY LOBSTER: AFTERMATH OF GOLDFINGER II BOMBING

1. MR. NORMAN SOLOMON, PROMINENT MEMBER OF FNM OPPOSITION PARTY WITH WHOM I HAVE ESTABLISHED SOMETHING OF AN INFORMAL RELATIONSHIP, HAS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED WITH ME VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE SPINY LOBSTER PROBLEM. SOLOMON'S CONSTITUENCY IS ST. GEORGE'S AND DUNMORE TOWN, WHICH IS WHERE SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL BAHAMIAN LOBSTER FISHERMEN ARE LOCATED.

2. SOLOMON CALLED ME TODAY TO SEEK GUIDANCE WITH REGARD TO RESTITUTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOMBING IF GOLDFINGER II. SPECIFICALLY, HE ASKED HOW HE COULD GO ABOUT SECURING SUCH RESTITUTION ON BEHALF OF THE OWNERS OF THE BOAT, WHO ARE HIS CONSTITUENTS.

3. I POINTED OUT TO SOLOMON THAT I DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THE
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GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. ACCEPTED ANY LIABILITY FOR THE DAMAGE

DONE TO THE GOLDFINGER. I NOTED IN THE FIRST PLACE THAT SO FAR AS I KNEW THERE WAS NO CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE AS TO WHO HAD PERPETRATED THE ACT AGAINST THE GOLDFINGER II AND I DID NOT KNOW WHETHER ANY GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY ACCEPTED LIABILITY FOR VESSELS IN THEIR HARBORS. MOREOVER, I SAID I DID NOT KNOW WHETHER IF A CLAIM WERE TO BE MADE IT SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH OFFICIAL GOVERNMENTAL CHANNELS OR COULD BE FORWARDED BY A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL, IN THIS CASE SOLOMON ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE OWNERS OF THE VESSEL. AT HIS REQUEST, HOWEVER, I AGREED TO TAKE A SOUNDING AND LET HIM KNOW.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE.
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